

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

HERBERT and DORIS STEELE, ERIC R.
CHAVEZ, ALEXANDRA DIAZ, and SONIA
TORRES, on behalf of themselves and all
others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

GE MONEY BANK, a federal savings bank,
WMC MORTGAGE CORPORATION and
WMC MORTGAGE, LLC,

Defendants.

No. 1:08-civ-1880

JUDGE MANNING

MAGISTRATE JUDGE KIM

PLAINTIFFS' AGREED MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE EXCESS PAGES

Plaintiffs, Herbert Steele, Doris Steele, Eric R. Chavez and Sonia Torres ("Plaintiffs"), respectfully move the Court for leave to file a brief up to but not to exceed twenty-five pages in support of their Agreed Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement, which is ten pages in excess of the fifteen page limit. A copy of the proposed memorandum is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

As grounds for this motion, Plaintiffs state the following:

1. Local Rule 7.1 sets a fifteen page limit of memoranda supporting motions, except with leave of court.
2. This case is a mortgage lending discrimination class action of national importance.
3. Plaintiffs' motion and memorandum in support thereof covers a variety of issues regarding the preliminary approval of the Settlement Agreement in this matter, including a thorough discussion of the settlement and substantial case law supporting preliminary approval.

4. Courts have granted motions to exceed the specified page limits when the party requires added pages in order to provide a comprehensive analysis and assessment of the issues and legal theories in the memoranda. See, e.g. *Jannota v. Subway Sandwich Shops, Inc.*, No. 94-C-3834, 1995 WL 337014, at *7 n.3 (N.D. Ill. June 1, 1995). The scope of the national settlement class for which the parties seek preliminary approval here merits the scope of analysis contained in the proposed memorandum.

5. Defendants do not oppose this motion.

6. This motion is not sought for purposes of delay or to burden the Court, but so that justice may be done.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons cited above, Plaintiffs request that this Court grant this motion for leave and allow Plaintiffs to file their memorandum in support of their Agreed Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement in excess of the fifteen page limit, up to but not to exceed twenty-five pages.

Dated: August 26, 2010

Respectfully Submitted
On behalf of the Plaintiffs,

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